Evaluation criteria for teachers direct recruitment in Kendriya Vidyalayas

682. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an evaluation criterion for shortlisting applicants to the different posts of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas for being called for interview relating to direct recruitment;

(b) if yes, when it was first made and what are its details;

(c) dates when it under went significant changes therein alongwith the changes made; and

(d) details of the said criterion adopted in connection with the recruitment got done through EDCIL in 1999-2000?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (d) There used to be a system of short listing of the applicants for interviews for recruitment to the different posts of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan based on evaluation criterion. From 1999 however the system of recruitment underwent a major change as a result of introduction of written test system, followed by interview from the year 1999. The earlier evaluation criterion are no longer relevant.

Computer Education in Government Schools

683. PROF. M.M.AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether computer training to students in Government Schools (Class I to XII) is being imparted on the pattern of Public Schools in different parts of the country;

(b) whether Government have appointed adequate number of computer teachers to impart computer training in Government Schools;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of action being taken or proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (d) National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) in its document National Curriculum Framework for School Education—2000 has proposed that Information Technology is to be used for effective instruction of the related subject at the school level, wherever possible. However, computer education, like all other areas of education, being a concurrent subject, its implementation is the responsibility of States / UTs. Government has not prescribed any pattern to introduce Computer Education. Schools are free to introduce Computer Education as an optional subject upto secondary level and offer it as an elective subject at senior secondary level. Many States / UTs have introduced computer education at various levels in Government schools. The Government has also a proposal for introducing a scheme of computer education in schools to support and partner with the State Governments/UTs and strengthen the computer training of students in Government schools. Appointment of teachers is however, the responsibility of State Governments/UTs.

National Resource Centre for Women

684. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to establish National Resource Centre for Women;

(b) if so, the programmes that are going to be undertaken by the proposed centre; and

(c) the budget allocated for the new centre for 2001-2002?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) and (b) The proposal is yet to be finalized.

(c) An allocation of Rs. 2.00 crore has been earmarked for this purpose.

Abolition of formal exams upto Class X

685. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to remove formal examination upto class X;